Biology

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**Textbook:** Biology: Dynamics of Life (online access: <http://www.glencoe.com.sites/common_assets/science/ose>

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**Course Description:**

Biology is a course that provides students with an understanding of:

* scientific inquiry
* physical, chemical, and cellular basis of life
* continuity of life and changes of organisms over time
* unity and diversity of life
* ecological relationships among organisms

This course is a **graduation exit standard** and has an **end of course test**. Students must **pass the class** and **achieve a level III or IV on the eoc** to receive credit for the course.

**Topics:**

1st 6 weeks: ecology and cells

2nd 6 weeks: bioenergetic reactions and genetics

3rd 6 weeks: evolution, classification, and behaviors

**Expectations and Procedures:**

* Be prepared for class
* When the bell rings students must be in their seat and working on the bell-ringer
* Show respect for each other and each other’s property
* Sleeping is not tolerated
* No food or drinks allowed in the classroom (in compliance with OSHA standard 1910.1030//toxic and hazardous substances)
* Cell phones, mp3 players, etc. will be confiscated if student has it out in the class

**Communication:**

To help you succeed in this course; I have set up a variety of communication methods:

1. <http://warnock-biology.wikispaces.com/> - you can find our class calendar of events, lecture notes, and other links to activities we have completed in class
2. Email: if you have questions or concerns please send me an email [jowarnock@gaston.k12.nc.us](mailto:jowarnock@gaston.k12.nc.us)

[](http://static.technorati.com/10/09/17/18465/Facebook-icon.png)

1. Warnock Biology - join our community facebook page to stay connected and up-to-date

**Laboratory Activities:**

In order to participate in labs, students must turn in a safety contract signed by the student and their guardian.

**Make-up work policy:**

Any student missing more than 10 days must appeal to pass this course. If a student is absent, it is his/her responsibility to check with the teacher for make-up work (afterschool). If a student is retesting a quiz, it must be completed within one week of the original quiz.

**Extra Help:**

Remediation (transportation is provided) will be offered on Mondays and Tuesdays from 3:10-4:10. The student must notify the teacher the day before they stay.

**Grading Policies:**

Please review our grading scales below. Students are allowed one retest on exams only.

Grading Percentages: Grading Scale:

Exams……………………………………..70% A: 93-100 D: 70-76

Quizzes……………………………………20% B: 85-92 F: 69 or below

Class work/Homework…………….10% C: 77-84